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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re U.S. Patent Application of

TOMITA et al.

Application Number: 09/923,340

Filed: August 8, 2001

For: THE LOGICAL VOLUME ADMINISTRATION  
METHOD, THE SERVICE USING THE METHOD AND  
THE MEMORY MEDIUM STORING THE SERVICE

Attorney Docket No. NITT.0024

Honorable Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Art Unit 2142

Examiner  
Shah, Kamini S.

**COVER LETTER**

Sir:

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Independent Claims	3	3	-XX (Over 3)	x \$200	0
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[ x ] Response to Office Action  
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[ ] Substitute Specification  
[ ] Preliminary Amendment  
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[ ] Terminal Disclaimer  
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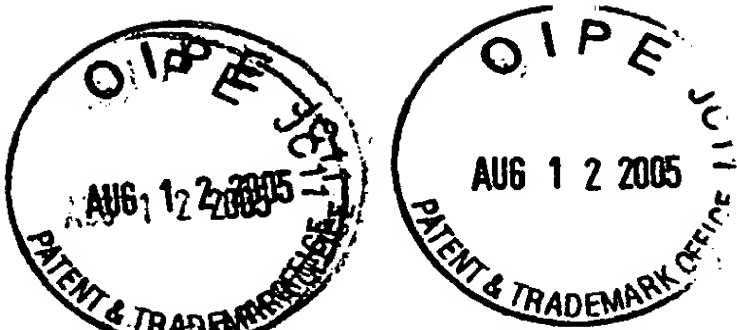
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

**Sir:**

This is in response to the office action dated May 12, 2005, in the above identified application, to which the period for response will expire on August 12, 2005. Please amend the above identified application as follows: